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**Sent:** Monday, November 22, 2021 3:10 PM **To:** Regional Clerk < <u>ClerkGeneralLine@york.ca</u>>

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Subject: Council Meeting on November 25, 2021 / Agenda Item F.2

Dear Sir:

Please record my vehement objection to the consideration by council of opening all regional Provincially Identified Agricultural Lands for development. This misguided notion ignores the fact that sufficient, approved development lands already exist to achieve the region's stated growth target of 250,000 additional residents / jobs by the year 2051.

The combination of population growth and climate change will render all existing agricultural lands increasingly vital for food and crop production as time progresses. Converting Class 1 & 2 Farmlands for private development would therefore represent an epic abrogation of council's responsibility to protect the interests and welfare of the citizens of York Region.

Surely sanity will prevail and this totally counterproductive notion will be discarded by all members of York Region council without exception.

Yours truly, Douglas Carl, MBA, P.Eng. Maple